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- Men's Mercantile Library Association, of Cincinnati: Jan. 4, 1853. Cincinnati. 8vo.—*From the Association.*
- Report of the Pennsylvania Hospital for the Insane, for the year 1852. By Thomas S. Kirkbride, M.D. Physician to the Institution. Philadelphia. 8vo.—*From the Author.*
- A Sermon preached to the Congregation at the Essex street Church, Oct. 31, 1852, the Sabbath after the interment of the Hon. Daniel Webster. By Nehemiah Adams, D.D. Pastor of the Essex street Church, Boston. 2d Edition. Boston. 8vo.—*From Geo. C. Rand.*
- The American Journal of Science and Arts. Second Series. Vol. XV. No. 44. March, 1853. New Haven. 8vo.—*From Prof. Silliman & Dana, Editors.*
- The Plough, the Loom and the Anvil. Vol. VI. No. 2. Feb. 1853. New York and Philadelphia. 8vo.—*From F. G. Skinner, Editor.*

Mr. Trego announced the decease of Mr. Thomas Gilpin, a member of this Society, who died on the 3d inst. aged 77.

The Society then proceeded to the stated business of the meeting,—the further consideration of the proposed amendments to the Laws of the Society. The amendments, as reported from the committee of the whole, were read, and further amended,—and the amendments ordered to be reported to the next meeting of the Society, for further action,—of which due notice is to be given to the members.

Stated Meeting, March 18.

Present, thirty-one members.

Dr. FRANKLIN BACHE, President, in the Chair.

Dr. John Neill and Dr. John J. Reese, recently elected members, were presented and took their seats.

A letter was read from the Secretary of l'Ecole des Mines, dated Paris, 17th Nov. 1852, accompanying a donation for the Library of the Society.

The following donations were announced:—

FOR THE LIBRARY.

- Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society: Vol. XIII. No. 2. Dec. 10, 1853. London. 8vo.—*From the Society.*
- Annales des Mines. V. Série. Tome II. 4 livr. de 1852. Paris. 8vo.—*From the Engineers of l'Ecole des Mines.*
- Minutes of the Provincial Council of Pennsylvania, from the organization to the termination of the Proprietary Government: Published by the State. 10 vols. 8vo. Harrisburg, 1852.—*From the State of Pennsylvania.*
- The Spirit of Rhode Island History: A Discourse delivered before the Rhode Island Historical Society, Jan. 17, 1853. By the Hon. Samuel Greene Arnold, Governor of Rhode Island. Providence. 8vo.—*From the R. I. Historical Society.*
- Sixth Annual Report of the Regents of the University of the State of New York, on the State Cabinet of Natural History, and the Historical and Antiquarian Collection annexed thereto. Jan. 22, 1853:—And
- Annual Report of the Trustees of the State Library of the State of New York; transmitted to the Legislature, Feb. 13, 1853. Albany. 8vo.—*From the Regents of the University of the State of New York.*
- Journal of the Franklin Institute. Third Series. Vol. XXV. No. 3. March, 1853. Philadelphia. 8vo.—*From the Institute.*
- A Discourse on the Life, Character and Services of Daniel Drake, M. D., delivered, by request, before the Faculty and Medical Students of the University of Louisville. Jan. 7, 1853. By S. D. Gross, M.D. Louisville. 8vo.—*From the Author.*
- A Biographical Memoir of Samuel George Morton, M.D. Prepared by appointment of the College of Physicians of Philadelphia, and read before that body, Nov. 3, 1852. By George B. Wood, M.D. President of the College. Philadelphia. 8vo.—*From the Author.*
- Eulogy on the Character and Services of the late Daniel Webster:—pronounced at the request of the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, Jan. 18, 1853. By William H. Allen, LL.D. President of the Girard College for Orphans. Philadelphia. 8vo.—*From the Author.*
- Report of a Committee in the Senate of the United States, on the

- Discovery of Anæsthetic Agents. Mr. Walker, Chairman. Washington, Feb. 19, 1853. 8vo.—*From Hon. G. N. Fitch.*
- The Medical News and Library. Vol. XI. No. 123. March, 1853. Philadelphia. 8vo.—*From Blanchard & Lea.*
- The Plough, the Loom and the Anvil. Vol. VI. No. 3. March, 1853. New York and Philadelphia. 8vo.—*From F. G. Skinner, Editor.*
- Description of the Remains of Extinct Mammalia and Chelonia, from Nebraska Territory, collected during the Geological Survey under Dr. D. D. Owen. By Joseph Leidy, M.D. of Philadelphia. 1852. 4to.—*From the Author.*
- On the Extinct Species of American Ox. (Smithsonian Contributions to Knowledge, Vol. V.) Description of an Extinct Species of American Lion: *Felis atrox*.—A Memoir on the Extinct Dicotylinae of America. (Trans. Am. Philos. Society, Vol. X.) By Joseph Leidy, M.D. of Philadelphia, 1852. 4to.—*From the same.*

Prof. Frazer announced the death of Dr. William E. Horner, a member of this Society, who died on the 13th inst., aged 60 years.

On motion of Mr. Cresson, Judge Kane was appointed to prepare an obituary notice of Mr. Thomas Gilpin, whose death was announced at last meeting:—And,

On motion of Dr. Harris, Prof. Samuel Jackson, M.D., was appointed to prepare an obituary notice of Dr. Horner.

Dr. Leconte presented a paper for the Transactions of the Society, "On the Classification of the Carabidæ of the United States," which was referred to Prof. Haldeman, Dr. Ruschenberger and Dr. Leidy, as a committee.

Dr. Kane called the attention of the Society to the preparations made for the proposed Expedition to the Arctic regions, which is about to set out under his command. Dr. K. described the peculiar provisions for the subsistence of the men; the sledges intended for their use in passing over the ice, &c., and laid before the Society papers in relation to the outfit of the expedition, consisting of letters from Sir John Richardson, Captain Ross, Admiral Parry, Col. Sabine and others.

On motion of Mr. Fraley, it was resolved that application be made by the Society to the Select and Common Councils of the City, and to the Directors of the Girard College, for the loan of such astronomical and magnetical instruments in their

possession, as may be useful in the observations intended to be made during Dr. Kane's proposed expedition to the Arctic regions.

The Society then proceeded to the consideration of the amendments of the Laws, as agreed to at the last meeting;—and said amendments, and the Laws as so amended, were finally adopted without dissent.

The following minute and resolution were offered by Judge Kane, and adopted:—

It having been announced that Dr. Franklin Bache, the President of the Society, and the Hon. Henry D. Gilpin and Dr. George B. Wood, members thereof, are about to visit Europe, with the purpose of making themselves familiar with the Scientific and Literary Institutions of Great Britain and the nations of the Continent;—it was

Resolved, That those gentlemen be severally requested to communicate, on behalf of the Society, with such of its foreign correspondents as they may have opportunity to visit;—and that the Secretary be instructed to invite for them such aid as may conduce to the attainment of the object they have in view.

Stated Meeting, April 1.

Present, twelve members.

Dr. FRANKLIN BACHE, President, in the Chair.

Letters were read:—

From B. Augustin Cauchy, dated Paris, 11th March, 1853, acknowledging the receipt of notice of his election as a member of this Society: and—

From the Geological Society of London, dated Somerset House, 4th Nov. 1852, returning thanks for No. 47 of the Proceedings.

The following donations were announced:—

FOR THE LIBRARY.

Quarterly Journal of the Geological Society: Vol. IX. Part 1. No. 33. Feb. 1, 1853. London. 8vo.—*From the Society.*